

What is claimed is:

1. A method of forming semiconductor device, said method comprising the steps of:
  - providing a semiconductor substrate having a first conductive layer and
  - 5 an epi-layer doped with the same type impurities but is doped lightly than said first conductive layer;
  - forming a first oxide layer on said epi-layer;
  - forming a first photoresist pattern on said first oxide layer to define guard ring regions;
  - 10 performing a first etching step etching said first oxide layer by using said first photoresist pattern as a mask;
  - stripping away said first photoresist pattern;
  - forming a polycrystalline silicon layer on all areas;
  - performing a blanket ion implant to implant p type impurities into said
  - 15 polycrystalline silicon layer;
  - performing an anneal process to form p regions using said doped polycrystalline silicon layer as an impurity source.
  - forming a second oxide layer by oxidizing said polycrystalline silicon layer and driving impurities doped said ion implant to expand said p regions thereby
  - 20 forming said guard ring regions;
  - forming a second photoresist pattern to exposed an active region;
  - etching said second oxide layer using said second photoresist pattern as a mask;
  - removing said second photoresist pattern;

forming a barrier metal layer on entire surfaces of said substrate;

performing a thermal anneal to form metal silicide layer by consuming silicon of said epi-layer;

removing unreacted barrier metal layer;

5 forming a top metal layer on entire surfaces;

patterning said top metal layer to define an anode electrode;

removing layers formed on a backside surface of said semiconductor substrate during forgoing steps; and

forming a backside metal layer on said backside surface, said backside metal layer acted as a cathode.

10 2. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said ion implant implants BF<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> and/or boron using a dosage and energy between about 1E11 to 5E16/cm<sup>2</sup> and 10 to 400keV, respectively,

3. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said polycrystalline silicon layer has a thickness between about 20 to 1000 nm.

15 4. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said step of annealing process is performed at a temperature between about 200 to 850°C.

5. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said barrier metal layer is made of material selected from the group consisting of Ti, Ni, Cr, Mo, Pt, Zr, W and the combination thereof and wherein said top metal layer is formed of stack layers of TiNi/Ag or Al.

20 6. The method according to Claim 1 wherein said second photoresist pattern is partially over said guard ring regions and thus said active region is at a region between two guard ring regions and includes a portion of them.

7. A power rectifier device, comprising:

A semiconductor substrate having a first conductive layer doped with first-type impurities, an epi layer formed thereon which is extended to a first surface thereof and is lightly doped with said first conductive type impurities;

5           a cathode metal layer formed on said first conductive layer opposite said first surface;

four guard rings arranged in a line doped with second conductive impurities buried in said epi layer, and said guard rings at outers of said line having an oxide layer partially formed thereover;

10          a Schottky barrier silicide layer formed on said epi layer and in between said oxide layers; and

              a top metal layer acted as an anode formed on said Schottky barrier silicide layer and said oxide layer and extended to cover a portion of termination mesa region.

15          8. The power rectifier device according to Claim 7 wherein each of said guard rings is doubled diffused with two species of second conductive type impurities.

              9. The power rectifier device according to Claim 7, wherein said Schottky barrier silicide layer is formed of metal silicide selected from the group consisting of silicide of Ti, Ni, Cr, Mo, Pt, Zr, and W with silicon and said top metal layer is  
20          formed of stack layers of Ti/Ni/Ag or single layer of Al.